



## U.S. Section PIANC Annual Meeting

Roundtable on Protecting America's  
Ports from Natural and Man-made  
Disasters

Technical Workshops  
On  
Wetlands Restoration  
and Passing Vessel Issues

October 28 – 30, 2003  
Portland, Oregon



## Preliminary Program

### Monday, October 27

6:00 to 8:00 PM Reception

### Tuesday, October 28

Morning: **U.S. Section PIANC Annual Meeting**

Afternoon: **Roundtable Discussion:  
All Hazard Risk Management for Ports  
and Harbors  
Protecting America's Ports from  
Natural and Man-Made Disasters**

Ports and harbors have always faced some level of risk to both natural and technological hazards, such as oil spills. The events of September 11<sup>th</sup> added a new level of complexity to hazard risk management decision-making. Senior Leaders from the port industry, the Corps of Engineers, and the Coast Guard will conduct an interactive discussion with audience members on how well the ports and harbors community is prepared to manage risks associated with natural, technological or malevolent-act hazards.

**Evening Boat Trip on the Willamette River,  
sponsored by the Port of Portland**

### Wednesday, October 29

8:00 to 5:00

#### **Wetlands Restoration Workshop**

The conflict between navigation systems and wetlands is a significant problem on essentially all navigation infrastructure. The loss of wetlands through the construction and maintenance of navigation infrastructure, including the placement of dredged material, must be considered in

managing navigation systems. This workshop will provide a forum for:

1. International discussion of state-of-the-science methods for wetland restoration
2. Findings of the PIANC working group regarding wetland restoration
3. Significant research gaps
4. Identification of areas of collaboration and potential stakeholders

*Organizer: Dr. Russell Theriot, ERDC*

1:00 to 5:00

#### **Passing Vessel Issues Workshop**

The effects of moving vessels have become an issue of increasing concern in designing and managing our navigable waterways. The latest efforts and research regarding the effects passing vessels have on safety, engineering design and the environment will be presented. This workshop will provide a forum for:

1. International discussion of state-of-the-art methodologies, models, and measurement techniques;
2. Definition of research gaps; and
3. Identification of areas of collaboration and potential stakeholders.

*Organizer: Dr. Sandra Knight, ERDC*

Evening: Commissioners' Meeting

### Thursday, October 30

8:00 to 5:00 Continuation of Vessel Effects  
Workshop

## The Venue

Workshops will be held at the Portland Marriott Downtown, situated in the "City of Roses" on the west bank of the scenic Willamette River.  
1401 SW Naito Parkway  
Portland, OR 97201  
Phone: 503-226-7600  
Or 800-228-9290  
Fax: 503-221-1789

[www.portlandmarriott.com](http://www.portlandmarriott.com)

A block of rooms is being held under the name International Navigation Association (PIANC) Technical Workshops until October 6, at the rate of \$91.00. Participants should contact the hotel directly and make their reservations prior to October 6.

Registration Form

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_  
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Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

Email: \_\_\_\_\_

Please check the appropriate functions:

Annual meeting/Roundtable \_\_\_\_\_  
Wetland Restoration Workshop \_\_\_\_\_  
Passing Vessel Issues Workshop \_\_\_\_\_

Registration Fees include meals and  
Social Functions

|                       | PIANC | nonmember |
|-----------------------|-------|-----------|
| Annual Mtg/Roundtable | \$100 | \$200     |
| 1 Workshop            | \$100 | \$200     |
| Annual mtg + 1 wkshp  | \$175 | \$300     |
| Both Workshops        | \$175 | \$300     |
| Annual Mtg + 2 wkshps | \$250 | \$350     |

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